

A dead panther, killed by a tiger (but not eaten) has been found within a few yards of the latter's kill here recently. The tiger had killed a cart-bull on a forest road and dragged it into the jungle. That night a panther located the kill, and, unaware of the tiger's approach, obviously fell an easy victim.

Some years ago I wrote a note on the more cautious behaviour of a panther which had designs on a tiger's kill. It climbed the tree on which I was sitting (together with a lady) and actually perched itself above us. I was terribly sleepy at that time; and, awakened by her nudge, and alarmed whisper of 'what's that above us?' I murmured 'only a panther' and drowsed off again—only to be properly awakened this time with a thump and loudly spoken 'How awful; wake up'! The panther leapt down off the tree; and the tiger did not turn up!

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4.—SENSE OF SMELL OF TIGER AND LEOPARDS.

There appears to be a lot of controversy over this. I have killed over fifty leopards and tigers from sitting in holes in the ground, have had tiger within a foot or so of me and only on one occasion has a tiger shown any interest.

After sniffing loudly several times, apparently satisfied, it proceeded to the kill, a dead buffalo.

I had over the hole (3' square) a few bamboos and a thin thatch covering, so had the animals' power of scent been at all good they would surely have detected me.

It would be interesting to hear of other readers experiences.

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5.—MUSK-SHREW (*SUNCUS CAERULEUS*) ATTACKING BULL-FROG (*RANA TIGRINA*).

A few days ago, soon after sunset, as I was sitting in my garden, my attention was attracted by the rasping croak of a big frog in distress: This peculiar sound is usually emitted when frogs are caught or are in the act of being swallowed by snakes and monitor lizards. As it was then getting dark, I called for my car and directed the head-lights towards the hedge from whence